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Politics Absorb Much Local Interest Now

Next Tuesday is primary election day and from then on and until the date of the county convention, September 19th, many candidates will be on the anxious seat. The polls will open next Tuesday at 8 o'clock and remain open until 6 in the evening.

Probably the most important event in political circles during the past week was the entrance of James A. Nesbit actively into the race for the Democratic nomination for sheriff. While there had been an inkling that Jim's hat would be in the ring, it was not definitely known that the aforesaid lid had really been tossed into the arena until last Saturday. This was followed up by the entrance of a rival set of delegates from Pioche precinct to the Democratic pow wow. The election, as far as the Democrats are concerned, is likely to be a warm one. Some of those who filed their names early are known to be anti-Nesbit, anti-Carman and other anti's, so this led to the filing of a new set of candidates for delegate.

The only other contest for county delegates is at Caliente and it will be in the Republican primary. Down in the railroad town there will be a three cornered fight between E. N. Mitchell, A. H. Norris and George K. Riding.

Only one set of candidates to the state convention were put in the field by the Democrats of this county, and they are all pro-Pittman for United States senator. Pat McCarran, to the surprise of a good many, did not extend his campaign to Lincoln county. But he has been busy in the bigger counties—that is, where the big vote is, and probably reached the conclusion that his time could be better spent in the counties where the big vote is and just let Pittman have Lincoln county. The Democratic candidates for delegate to the state convention are Henry H. Lee, Geo. M. Senter and W. T. Stewart, Sr.

The announcement of Dan J. Ronnow for the office of assessor of Lincoln county appears in this issue. It is a recognized fact that Dan has made a good assessor and it is unlikely that he will have any opposition in the Democratic convention.

William Hammond has decided to come before the county convention of the Democratic party for the nomination for county commissioner—long term. He had planned to enter the race as an independent candidate; but has concluded to take his chances in the convention.

The formal announcement of James A. Nesbit for the office of sheriff appears in this issue. Everybody knows Jim. Should he win the nomination he will poll a strong vote throughout the county.

There are five candidates for the Republican party's two delegates to the state convention. As stated in last week's Record, M. L. Lee and Henry Mathews are accredited adherents of Judge Norcross for the nomination for United States Senator; while E. Kahn and Pat Devlin are of the opinion that Sam Platt should be United States senator from Nevada. Dr. J. West Smith of Caliente also filed his name as a delegate to the state convention last Saturday. Just who he favors for senator the Record has not been informed. Anyway, this makes a five cornered fight.

All of the thirteen precincts in the county will be represented in the Democratic county convention. At least there are candidates for delegates from each precinct. With the three delegates-at-large the Democratic convention will consist of 23 delegates. Some declare this is an unlucky number—and that it will be skidoo for a bunch of Democrats in November. However, the Republicans will have no edge on their opponents on that score. Five precincts in the county failed to file names for delegate and therefore will have no voice in the coming county convention. These precincts are: Clover Valley, Elgin, Alamo, Hiko, and Deer Lodge. Had they done so, with the two delegates to the state convention, the county Republican convention would have consisted of eighteen—five off that number makes thirteen; the number that will be in the county convention. So the Democrats insist that thirteen is just as unlucky as twenty-three.

Charley Lee of Panaca came to town last Saturday afternoon and made it known that he will be an active candidate for the nomination for sheriff on the Democratic ticket. This makes five in the sheriff fight, viz: Jim Nesbitt, Charley Lee, Chris. Christensen, Al. Emerick and Roy Orr.

Comparison In Expenses Nevada Counties

Figures of interest to taxpayers throughout the state are given in the tables published below, showing the budgets of expenses of each county for the years 1914, 1915, and 1916, as filed with the Nevada Tax

County	1914	1915	1916
Churchill	\$ 65,310.00	\$ 67,035.00	\$ 80,256.00
Clark	60,276.00	128,080.00	168,570.00
Douglas	38,775.00	51,574.65	57,253.00
Elko	194,000.00	200,500.00	401,000.00
Esmeralda	99,914.99	151,820.00	141,300.00
Eureka	38,850.00	71,694.00	70,650.00
Humboldt	171,422.70	285,300.00	273,820.00
Lander	55,324.55	67,000.00	72,000.00
Lincoln	64,084.39	67,270.00	78,950.00
Lyon	97,335.00	138,725.00	128,404.00
Mineral	54,130.00	80,340.00	82,200.00
Nye	132,000.00	127,000.00	202,000.00
Ormsby	34,325.00	52,780.00	51,600.00
Storey	25,981.00	43,640.00	46,500.00
Washoe	208,000.00	265,000.00	269,500.00
White Pine	171,200.00	215,000.00	196,000.00
Totals	\$1,520,929.29	\$2,013,658.65	\$2,320,009.00
District specials as shown in county budgets for year ending December 31, 1916:			
County	Amount		
Churchill	\$ 8,515.25		
Clark	8,360.00		
Douglas	1,220.00		
Elko	75,501.94		
Esmeralda	39,147.00		
Eureka	550.00		
Humboldt	35,207.00		
Lander	10,807.97		
Lincoln	5,059.91		
Mineral	60,580.25		
Nye	6,320.01		
Ormsby	13,560.00		
Storey	63,020.38		
Washoe	38,665.75		
White Pine	16,222.10		
Total	\$382,737.68		

Note: The above expenses are in addition to those shown in the preceding table.

Artist Powell's Version of the Fight for Sheriff



FEDERAL ROAD FUNDS

Secretary of Agriculture Apportions Money to States, as Provided in New Road Law.

The Secretary of Agriculture, under date of July 21, 1916, certified to the Secretary of the Treasury and the governors and State highway departments of the several states the following apportionment of the \$5,000,000 of Federal road funds available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1917. This is the first installment of Federal moneys to be appropriated to the States under the Federal-aid road act approved July 11, 1916. Before making the division among the States, the Secretary, in accordance with the act, reduced 3 per cent or \$150,000, needed for administering its provisions. This left \$4,850,000 to be apportioned among the States, one-third in the ratio of area, one-third in the ratio of population, and one-third in the ratio of mileage of rural delivery routes and star routes. The apportionment on this basis gives the following amounts for the several States:

Alabama	\$104,148.90
Arizona	68,513.52
Arkansas	82,689.10
California	151,063.92
Colorado	83,690.14
Connecticut	31,090.44
Delaware	8,184.37
Florida	55,976.27
Georgia	134,329.48
Idaho	60,463.50
Illinois	220,926.23
Indiana	135,747.62
Iowa	140,175.60
Kansas	143,207.40
Kentucky	97,471.91
Louisiana	67,474.66
Maine	48,451.50
Maryland	44,047.22
Massachusetts	73,850.95
Michigan	145,783.72
Minnesota	142,394.06
Mississippi	88,905.84
Missouri	169,720.41
Montana	98,287.19
Nebraska	106,770.81
Nevada	64,398.30
N. Hampshire	20,996.62
New Jersey	59,212.68
New Mexico	78,737.81
New York	250,720.27
N. Carolina	114,381.92
North Dakota	76,143.06
Ohio	186,995.42
Oklahoma	115,139.00
Oregon	78,687.37
Pennsylvania	230,644.17
Rhode Island	11,665.71
South Carolina	71,807.64
South Dakota	80,948.02
Tennessee	114,153.48
Texas	291,927.81
Utah	56,950.15
Vermont	22,844.47
Virginia	99,660.71
Washington	71,884.28
West Virginia	53,270.46
Wisconsin	128,361.07
Wyoming	61,196.82
Total	\$4,850,000.00

Later Apportionments:

1918	\$10,000,000
1919	15,000,000
1920	20,000,000
1921	25,000,000

The act requires that the apportionment for each year shall be made in the same manner. Different sums are appropriated for each year and the apportionment must also take into consideration the population as shown by the latest available Federal census and the mileage or rural delivery and star routes as shown by the certificate of the Postmaster General for the next preceding year. A new apportionment, therefore, must be announced for each fiscal year.

The apportionment as given above does not take into consideration the \$1,000,000 additional appropriated

each year for 10 years for the development of rural roads in the National Forests.

REPUBLICANS LEAD IN RENO REGISTRATION

When the registration books for the primary election closed Saturday night there were 2,973 names on the books. Of this number 1,753 are Republican, 1,100 Democrats, 7 Socialists and 47 with no preference. Out of the total 1,066 are women.

In Sparks the total registration was 620, with the Republicans leading the Democrats by 23. Two hundred and twenty of the Sparks registration were women.—Reno Gazette.

APPORTIONMENT OF SCHOOL FUNDS OF THE STATE

Following is the statement of the second semi-annual apportionment of state school money for the calendar year 1916:

Churchill	740	35	\$5,815.15
Clark	870	35	6,239.47
Douglas	318	16	2,610.26
Elko	1,581	90	14,189.95
Esmeralda	702	28	4,913.01
Eureka	263	19	2,827.68
Lander	363	18	2,806.68
Lincoln	565	35	5,720.30
Mineral	168	12	5,720.30
Nye	980	49	8,008.41
Ormsby	645	24	4,313.80
Storey	399	14	2,665.51
Washoe	3,348	137	24,055.51
White Pine	1,348	64	10,621.24
Totals	14,087	672	\$111,364.12

Apportionment to the emergency school fund.....3,000.00

Total apportionment \$114,364.12

SHERIFF RONNOW OUT WITH ELECTION SUPPLIES

The ballots and supplies for the coming primary election were completed in the Record job printing department last Wednesday afternoon and delivered to County Clerk Culverwell, who, in turn, delivered them to Sheriff Ronnow, whose duty it is to get them out to the several election precincts of the county.

Mr. Ronnow left yesterday for Panaca and Caliente with the supplies and ballot boxes for those towns and other precincts in the southern end of the county. The deliveries to Pahrangat Valley, Elgin and Clover Valley will be made by Deputy Sheriff Rex Mathews. Mr. Ronnow will return and leave today for the northern precincts.

CALIFORNIANS LOOKING OVER ATLAS PROPERTY

W. Spencer Black, a Los Angeles mining engineer, arrived in the city early in the week for the purpose of making an examination of the property of the Atlas Mining company located in the Jack Rabbit mining district in the interest of eastern parties who have an option upon a large block of Atlas stock. He was accompanied by T. W. Taylor, one of the large shareholders of the Atlas company.

Coincident Fred Markwell and another party arrived from California in a Ford car, making the trip in three days from Los Angeles—averaging a little more than 200 miles per day. Mr. Markwell is here for the purpose of looking over the district with a view of making investments for himself and others.

Building Refrigerating Plant

Joe Powers is erecting a refrigerating plant on his lots just above the Record office which will have capacity for a car of beer and a car of ice. The plant will cost, it is said, about \$2,000.

Amalgamated Strikes High Grade Galena

HOO DOO DAY ON WITH A VENGEANCE

Everyone in Pioche is agreed that last Tuesday was somewhat of a "hoodoo" day. At any rate it was a day of accidents and near-accidents which might have brought much sorrow to this peaceful community.

During the noon hour, William Culverwell, driving the Culverwell Brothers' auto bus and having as passengers a son of Mrs. Jennie Wilcox and Lew Gillispie, backed the machine off the embankment near the court house, when it rolled down the hill, making three complete revolutions before coming to a halt. As far as the auto was concerned, no damage was done except to the top which was completely demolished. The Wilcox boy was sitting in the seat with the driver; they both jumped when it was seen that the machine was beyond control, and got out with only a serious fright. Mr. Gillispie did not fare so well. He was on the inside of the bus with no possible chance of escape and was obliged to stay with the machine as it tumbled down the embankment. However, he considers himself very fortunate that he got out with nothing worse than a broken collarbone and a few bad bruises.

Later in the day, Harry L. Parker, superintendent of the Pioche-Bristol mine, was coming to town having as a companion B. L. Christensen, who had been employed at the property. Coming down to a point near the stone cabin the car hit a rock which flew out from the wheels hitting Mr. Parker, who was at the wheel, back of the car. The rock came with such force that Mr. Parker was momentarily stunned and let go his grip on the steering wheel. This resulted in the car turning turtle with Mr. Parker and Mr. Christensen landing underneath. Parker, gaining his senses, crawled "out from under" and assisted Christensen in gaining terra firma. At first it was believed that the latter was seriously hurt and Parker made haste to Jack Rabbit and telephoned for a physician. When brought to town it was found that Christensen had suffered no broken bones and other than being slightly bruised was all right.

But what might have been the worst disaster of all was a runaway team belonging to the Atlanta-Home Mining company. J. W. Pratt, the teamster, was loading a lot of groceries onto the wagon in front of the Hodges-Cook Mercantile company, when an iron hoop, manned by a small boy, frightened the horses and they took down Main street. Turning north on Lacey street the team and all piled into a trap in front of the Commercial club. Meanwhile, a box of matches took fire, which was communicated to a can of gasoline. The fact that in the wreck was 500 pounds of giant powder caused a fright which will not be soon forgotten. Men, women and children ran frantically to places of safety, fearing that an explosion might follow any moment which would blow the central part of town to atoms. But in the crowd were cooler heads, men who are accustomed to handling of powder in the mines and no doubt their presence is all that saved an awful catastrophe. They went about picking up the sticks of giant strewn here and there until all were accounted for. While this was going on, a line of fire hose was stretched and water turned on to extinguish the fire which would soon have caused an explosion of gasoline.

During the day a miner working in the Prince Consolidated mine had his foot mashed. In the evening, a furious thunder storm prevailed in the vicinity of the Delmue ranch and a bolt of lightning killed a valuable cow. So all in all, it was a day of one disaster following another—but fortunately it was no worse. Surely it was bad enough.

Reports from the Con. Nevada Utah mill this week indicate that everything is running along smoothly with a better record of extraction than at any time since the plant was placed in commission. Aside from a few hours shutdown on Sunday and Monday, the mill has been going continuously this week. The management has been carrying out some suggestions given by Allan H. Rogers, the company's consulting engineer, during his recent visit, with a noted improvement.

The mill is turning out from three to four car loads of concentrate per week, four cars having been dispatched last week and three this week.

The mine force has been increased somewhat on account of the mill drawing a heavier tonnage from the mine and using less from the dumps. In the stope above the 1400 level a few days ago a streak of high grade galena ore was encountered which assayed 186 ounces in silver, with 3 per cent copper; aside from very good values in lead and gold. This ore is being kept by itself to be shipped to the smelters later.

The south cross-cut on the 1400 level has been extended through the Yuba dike and is now in the quartzite beyond the dike. The drill holes yesterday showed the presence of a greater volume of water, which Supt. VanWagenen declares is a good sign, for this is almost a sure indication of the close approach to the ore bodies towards which the cross-cut is being directed.

The tailings pond is working out nicely and producing a very clear overflow.

GROOME EXTENSION COMPANY ORGANIZED

The Groome Extension Mining Co., owners of several claims lying next to the Big Groome property this county, held their organization meeting last evening and elected W. C. Browne, President, H. L. Parker, Vice President, and B. L. Smith, Secretary and Treasurer.

In order that active development, already lined up, may be pushed as rapidly as possible the directors decided to offer a small block of treasury shares to the public at 10c per share. See ad in another column.

FOURTH OF JULY FUNDS RUN SHY TO MEET BILLS

The Fourth of July committees, at least in some instances, overstepped their bounds notwithstanding that about \$500 was raised to carry on the expense of the celebration. It appears that the refreshment committee, which had charge of the arrangements for the barbecue exceeded the limit placed on the appropriation for that purpose, as did the sports committee, with the result that the funds ran short by about twenty per cent of enough to meet the remaining bills. The members of the executive committee met last Wednesday evening and after checking things up discovered that there was only enough money in the bank to pay 80 cents on the dollar. Accordingly checks were sent out upon that basis to meet outstanding claims.

PRINCE CON. POSTS ANOTHER BIG DIVIDEND

Officials of the Prince Consolidated this morning announced another quarterly dividend of 5 cents a share. This requires the payment of \$50,000. The distribution will be made on Sept. 1 to stock of record Aug. 24.

This payment will bring the Prince Con dividends up to a total of \$300,000. It amounts to 30 cents a share on the 1,000,000 shares issued. This Pioche mine is shipping to the Utah smelters at the rate of about 3,500 tons a week from its low grade iron ore bodies. However, the new 200-ton mill at Bullionville is now treating ore from the 125,000 ton dumps, and this, too, is expected to soon begin to add materially to the profits of the company.—Deseret News.